# Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Sherburne Soil and Water Conservation	District FY07 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

### Surface Water:

Agricultural fertilizer application

Livestock

Lack of buffers

Habitat

Forest management

Wind erosion

Sedimentation

Pesticides

Wetland restorations

Manure application

Practices < 500 feet from receiving waters

### Groundwater:

Nitrate contamination

Irrigation management

Unsealed, unused wells

Agricultural fertilizer application

Pesticides

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

**Elk River Watershed**: nutrients, sedimentation, manure, riparian habitat, impaired waters (IBI and turbidity), drained wetlands and degraded wetland habitat

**Delineated drinking water supply management areas**: nitrates, pesticides, irrigation management

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

## Prioritize Local Resource Concerns

- 1. Runoff to surface water: nutrients, sediment, manure, impaired waters
- 2. Irrigation management and irrigation systems
- 3. Riparian habitat
- 4. Groundwater contamination: nitrates and pesticides
- 5. Wind erosion
- 6. Wetlands: drained and degraded habitat
- 7. Sheet and rill erosion
- 8. Practices located in the Elk River Watershed which address #s 1, 3, 5, 6, 7
- Practices located in delineated Drinking Water Supply Management Areas which address #s 2 and 4 above

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

	Question:	Points
1.	Soil Erosion: Will the practice reduce wind erosion or sheet and rill erosion where it is > T?	3
2.	<u>Water Quality</u> : Will the practice reduce nutrient loading, sediment loading or manure impacts to surface water? <u>or</u> Will the practice address concerns for waters on the State's 303d list (impaired waters)?	5
3.	Water Quality: Is the practice located < 100 ft of receiving water (surface water)?	5
4.	Water Quality: Is the practice located 100 to 500 ft of receiving water (surface water)?	З
5.	Water Quality: Will the practice reduce groundwater contamination by nutrients or pesticides?	5
6.	Water Quality and Water Conservation: Will the practice address irrigation water management and systems?	5
7.	Habitat: Will the practice improve riparian habitat?	3
8.	Habitat: Will drained or degraded wetlands be addressed?	3
9.	Water Quality: For questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8 above, is the practice located in the Elk River Watershed?	4
10.	<u>Water Quality</u> : For questions 5 and 6 above is the practice located in a Drinking Water Supply Management Area?	4
	Total	40

- 5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions must equal exactly 40 points.

  Refer to question 4, column 3.
- 6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.

Worksheet submitted to Timothy Wilson; ASTC(FO) of Area 4.

7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document.

None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 07 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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Date

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